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SUBJECT: INFORMATION TO CRITERIA APPLIED TO RECOGNIZING PRIVILEGES
AND IMMUNITIES OF MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY

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¶1. The Government of Suriname (GOS) fully acknowledges its responsibilities under article 37(1) of Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations; however we have noted several inconsistencies in the GOS's practices for issuance of diplomatic identity cards for Embassy diplomatic, administrative, and technical staff and family members.

¶2. The DCM and Consular Officer met with MFA Chief of Protocol and Head of the Privileges and Immunities Section of the MFA on Thursday, February 21, 2008 to request clarity on status of family members. Management sent a diplomatic note also requesting clarification on issues mentioned in Reftel. Post is awaiting a more definitive response from the Government of Suriname regarding these issues.

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